

State of New Bersey

ROBERT J. DEL TUFO ATTORNEY GENERAL

LOCATION:

124 HALSEY STREET, 6TH FLOOR NEWARK, NJ 07102 (201) 648-2841 DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

EMMA N. BYRNE

DIRECTOR

MAILING ADDRESS:

P.O. BOX 45020 NEWARK, NJ 07101

June 4, 1992

Theresa Foster, DVM 33 Eagle Rock Avenue East Hanover, NJ 07936

Re: Case #92-21

Dear Dr. Foster:

This is to advise you that the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners has reviewed certain information regarding activity in which you were engaged as a Board licensee. The Board's initial review discloses that you apparently engaged in acts of repeated negligence within the meaing of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (d) in the treatment of a dog owned by Eileen Weber which was presented to you in December 1991, namely:

- 1. You sent the animal home bleeding when you knew the dog was bleeding.
- 2. When the owner telephoned you regarding the dog's condition, you did not respond to the telephone call by examining the animal.
- 3. You did not recognize an infection the animal had upon release. Said infection was treated the following day by an other veterinarian.

You are hereby offered the opportunity to settle this matter and avoid the initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings by signing the enclosed certification and paying a civil penalty in the amount of \$750.00, which represents an assessment of \$250.00 for each of the afore-mentioned negligent acts, within ten (10) days from receipt of this letter. The penalty is to be remitted by check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey.

Page 2 June 4, 1992 Dr. Foster Case #92-21

Alternatively, you may waive your right to a hearing and submit a written statement or explanation to the Board. The Board will consider this statement and render a final decision thereon. You may also request a hearing in which case the matter will be scheduled and this notice will serve as a complaint. At the hearing you may, either personally or with the assistance of an attorney, submit such testimony or other evidence as you may deem necessary in order for the Board to finally determine whether the unlawful acts set forth herein have been proven.

Very truly yours,

Maurice W. McQuade Executive Director

MWM/sr

Enclosure(s)

c.r.r.